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Plaque Assessment by Combined OCT-Spectroscopy



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Lipid: an important feature of atheroma



Thin-capped fibroatheroma (TCFA)



- Large lipid necrotic-core
- Thin fibrous cap <65µm
- Macrophages
- Eccentric plaque
- Positive remodeling



OCT

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Histology



ОСТ



Lp = lipid

Echo-lucent zone with diffuse border

- Conventional OCT can identify lipid tissue within plaque.
- > But it is objective and its accuracy depends on proficiency of physician.



Light absorption in cholesterol and collagen





A novel SWIR-OCT-spectroscopy system



Prototype SWIR-OCT system (Sumitomo Electric Industries, Ltd., Japan) (a) and software flow chart (b). The system measures spectrum of the artery under test at 1,700 nm wavelength band. Fourier analysis on the spectrum generates a standard OCT image and a spectral analysis generates a lipid distribution image, which is superimposed on the OCT image resulting in a lipid-enhanced OCT image.



SWIR-OCT-spectroscopy: in Porcine model



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Light spectral feature of lipid: 1,300 nm near-infrared wavelength bands

Human autopsy coronary artery



Light attenuation spectra were measured for the chosen 4 lipids and 4 normal points using a spectrometer. (c) Light spectral feature was not difference between lipids and normal points in 1,300 nm near-infrared wavelength bands.



Light spectral feature of lipid: 1,700 nm near-infrared wavelength bands

Human autopsy coronary artery



Light attenuation spectra were measured for the chosen 4 lipids and 4 normal points using a spectrometer. (c) Lipid has characteristic attenuation peak in 1,700 nm SWIR wavelength bands.



SWIR - OCT spectroscopy SWIR = Short wavelength infrared

Conventional OCT (Wave length = 1,300 nm)

SWIR-OCT spectroscopy

(Wave length = 1,700 nm)





SWIR-OCT spectroscopy

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SWIR = Short wavelength infra red

Histology

Conventional OCT

SWIR-OCT spectroscopy



Lipid enhance image of SWIR-OCT spectroscopy showed lipid with yellow color, which almost coincided with Oil Red O. SWIR-OCT spectroscopy can identify lipid plaque accurately.



Accuracy of SWIR-OCT spectroscopy for lipid detection

		Histology		Total
		Lipid (+)	Lipid (-)	TOLAI
SWIR-OCT spectroscopy	Lipid (+)	99	3	102
	Lipid (-)	11	26	37
	Total	110	29	139

Sensitivity	90%
Specificity	90%
Positive predictive value	97%
Negative predictive value	70%



Conclusion

- We developed a novel SWIR-OCT spectroscopy system to detect lipid tissue automatically.
- SWIR-OCT spectroscopy accurately identified lipid tissue in human coronary autopsy specimens.
- This new technique may hold promise for identifying a histopathological feature of coronary plaque at risk for rupture.



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